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and long, blue berries which are borne in abundance and are persistent. Of ornamental habits and content with rather sterile soils. Of value like No. 31284." (Meyer.)

31290. Halimodendron halodendron (Pallas) Voss.

From near Ure-Dalik, Chinese Turkestan. "(No. 1599a, February 14, 1911.) A spiny Colutealike shrub found on sandy and alkaline places in deserts where the moisture is not too fur from the surface; will also stand some shade. Suitable for a hedge plant in regions where long, hot, and dry summers prevail and where the winters are cold. This number is a much more robust form than the one sent under No. 33415." (Meyer.)

31291. Rosa sp.

Rose.

From valley of the Chong Djighilan, Tien Shan Range, Chinese Turkestan. Altitude 3,500 feet. "(No. 1600a, March 19, 1911.) A wild rose growing in semishady places. Has tall, slender branches which are slightly drooping; has very few spines and to judge by the orange-red fruits left on the branches, must be very floriferous. Of value, possibly, as a factor in breeding experiments to create hardier and more floriferous roses for the northern sections of the United States." (Meyer.)

31292. Rosa sp.

Rose.

From Kurgan, Tien Shan Range, Chinese Turkestan. Altitude 7,000 feet. "(No. 1601a, March 5, 1911.) A wild rose found in a very stony and dry bank. Of use perhaps as a stock in dry, cold regions." (Meyer.)

31293. CALLIGONUM sp.

From near Schul-Kuduk, Chinese Turkestan. "(No. 1602a, February 21, 1911.) A graceful-looking small desert shrub, having a multitude of slightly bent, very white branches, which are from 2 to 4 feet in length. Occurs in deserts of moving sands, where it builds small mounds. To be tested for its sand-binding capacities in the dry and not too cold sections of the United States." (Meyer.)

31294. CLEMATIS Sp.

Clematis.

From near Kizil-Bulak, Tien Shan Range, Chinese Turkestan. Altitude over 6,000 feet. "(No. 1603a, March 4, 1911.) A bushy clematis, occurring on dry, stony, and alkaline places." (*Meyer*.)

31295. Iris sp.

Iris.

From near Tuwan, Tekes Valley, Tien Shan Range, Chinese Turkestan. Altitude 6,000 feet. "(No. 1604a, March 14, 1911.) An iris found on moist low places, said to bear blue flowers. Rhizomes sent under No. 31277, which number see for further remarks." (Meyer.)

31296. Asparagus sp.

Asparagus.

From near Arwat, Tien Shan Range, Chinese Turkestan. Altitude 5,600 feet. "(No. 1605a, March 4, 1911.) A wild asparagus of slightly twining habits, found on sandy alkaline soil. Apparently rare. Possibly of value as an ornamental garden perennial and as a factor in breeding experiments." (*Meyer.*)

31297. ASPARAGUS Sp.

Asparagus.

From Tchoa, Tekes Valley, Tien Shan Range, Chinese Turkestan. Altitude 4,300 feet. "(No. 1606a, March 15, 1911.) A wild asparagus of climbing habits. Rhizomes sent under No. 30953, which number see for further remarks." (Meyer.)

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